# **OUTREACH**District Range Technician, GS 455-6/7/8



The Lost River Ranger District is seeking candidates for a Range Technician position. This 800,000+ acre Ranger District has an extensive range program with all the excitement, challenges and gratification that goes along with managing grazing (both cattle and sheep) in some incredible country in south central Idaho. The duty station is **Mackay, Idaho**; a small town in the gorgeous Lost River Valley, settled between the Lost River and Pioneer Mountain ranges.

Interested candidates should contact Diane Weaver, District Ranger, Lost River Ranger District for more information. If you wish to be considered for this opportunity please complete the attached outreach form and send it to Diane Weaver at <a href="mailto:dlweaver@fs.fed.us">dlweaver@fs.fed.us</a> by May 6, 2015.

Major Duties: The person selected will be responsible for technical work in support of overall management of 35 allotments. Duties will include: inspect and document permittee compliance with range improvement maintenance and livestock distribution; data collection and monitoring annual forage use and impacts; inventory and treat noxious weeds; administer and maintain the district horse program; lead a monitoring and inventory seasonal crew (usually 2-3 students); input data in INFRA data base; and prepare environmental analysis documents for small range improvement projects. This person needs to be experienced with horses, ATVs, GPS, maps, driving in rugged conditions, have some basic botany skills, and able to work with a crew or independently in the field.





#### Salmon-Challis National Forest

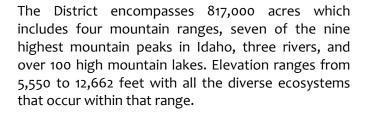
The Salmon-Challis National Forest covers over 4.3 million acres in east-central Idaho. The Forest is bordered on the east by the Bitterroot Range in Montana, and to the west includes over 1.3 million acres of the Frank Church--River of No Return Wilderness. There are currently six administrative units on the Forest: Salmon-Cobalt, Challis/Yankee Fork, Lost River, Middle Fork, North Fork and Leadore Ranger Districts.

Rugged and remote, this country offers adventure, solitude and breathtaking scenery. The Forest also contains Mt. Borah, Idaho's tallest peak, the Wild & Scenic Salmon River and the Middle Fork of the Salmon River. The area is a highly desired destination for hunting, fishing, white-water rafting and the many other popular recreational pursuits. The Forest features diverse, rough topography, geologic conditions, and miles of streams with anadromous fish spawning habitat creating a highly complex land management situation. The Forest Office is located in Salmon, Idaho. <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc.">http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc.</a>

## **Lost River Ranger District**

http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc/lostriver/index.shtml







**Recreation** is an important component of public uses on the District, including hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, horseback riding, ATV and motorcycle trail riding. A large variety of **wildlife and fish** occur on the District - mule deer, elk, moose, wolves, big horn sheep, mountain goats, bull trout, whitefish, rainbow and brook trout.



Permitted uses include **outfitters and guides, grazing, communication sites, education organizations, and fire wood** and **timber products.** The District also has an active **fuels** program and the Forest is one of the highest in number and size of **wildland fires.** 

**Participation in the community** is important whether it be parades, town clean-up, or hiring local kids for summer. This leads to good relationships and partnerships creating a great work and living environment.

## Mackay

#### http://mackayidaho.com/

Mackay sits at an elevation of 5,891 feet and at the last census reported a population of 680. The climate of Mackay ranges from lows of -20°F to highs of +30°F in the winter and from lows of 30°F to highs of 100°F in some areas in the summer. Mackay has a fairly dry climate, typical of high desert bordering alpine areas. The average annual total precipitation is 9.8 inches and average annual snowfall is 33.5 inches.

There is a high school, elementary school, several churches, library, medical clinic, grocery store, lumber store, general store, plus several restaurants, bars and motels. Mackay has a 9-hole golf course, RV park, and campgrounds. Housing is inexpensive and available compared to many communities. It hosts events such as the Mackay rodeo, the A.B.A.T.E. motorcycle rodeo, several golf tournaments, Custer County Fair, Free Mackay Barbeque, RMEF banquet, and the Annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering.



If you are interested in this position or have any questions, please complete the attached "Outreach Form" and submit to:

Diane L. Weaver, District Ranger Lost River Ranger District P.O. Box 507, Mackay, ID 83251 dlweaver@fs.fed.us 208-588-3402

### **OUTREACH NOTICE FORM –**

Reply Due: May 6, 2015
Diane Weaver, District Ranger, 208-588-3402, dlweaver@fs.fed.us

Salmon-Challis National Forest Lost River Ranger District District Range Technician GS-455-6/7/8

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